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SUBJ: SINKING OF F/V NEPTUNE

1. ON DEC 15 I MADE CALL ON CAPITAN DE NAVIO RAUL SORROZA ENCALADA, WHO IS STILL ACTING GOVERNOR OF GUAYAS PROVINCE DURING THE POSTOPERATIVE RECOVERY PERIOD OF GOVERNOR BRIG. GEN. SEMBLANTES AND WHO IS STILL FUNCTIONING AS NAVAL ZONE COMMANDER, TO PRESENT TO HIM A LETTER OF THANKS FOR THE COURTESIES RENDERED TO THE STAFF OF THE CONSULATE GENERAL AND THE CREW OF THE F/V NEPTUNE BY THE VARIOUS NAVAL ELEMENTS UNDER HIS COMMAND, MENTIONING PARTICULARLY THE DUTY OFFICER AT NAVAL ZONE HEADQUARTERS, THE NCO AT RADIO NAVAL, THEPORT CAPTAIN OF SALINAS AND CAPITAN DE CORBETA NAVARETTE, ACTING DIRECTOR OF MERCHANT MARINE.

2. MORNING PAPER "EL TELEGRAFO" FOR TODAY (18TH) CARRIED ARTICLE ABOUT MY CALL ON CAPTAIN SORROZA, APPARENTLY BASED ON INFORMATION RELEASED BY SORROZA. IT MENTIONED THE PURPOSE OF THE VISIT AND THEN AN EXPLANATION BY SORROZA THAT THE PROCEDURES FOLLOWED WERE ONLY THOSE REQUIRED

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UNDER ECUADOREAN LAW AND THAT THERE WAS NO DETENTION OF

THE CREW, AND ONCE FORMALITIES COMPLIED WITH CREW WERE PERMITTED TO LEAVE. ARTICLE IS STRAIGHTFORWARD AND UN-EMOTIONAL MAKING NO MENTION OF LICENSES FOR FISHING OR CONTROVERSY OVER FOREIGN VERSUS LOCAL EXPLOITATION OF FISH RESOURCES OFF COAST OF ECUADOR.

3. CAPTAIN SORROZA WAS OBVIOUSLY VERY PLEASED WITH VISIT AND NOTED HOW SELDOM PEOPLE SAY "THANKS" AND HOW READILY FORTHCOMING ARE COMPLAINTS. I GUESS HE SAW VISIT AS GOODWILL GESTURE AND SO INFORMED NEWSPAPERS.  
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